

Islip, near Oxford.
7th July, 1845

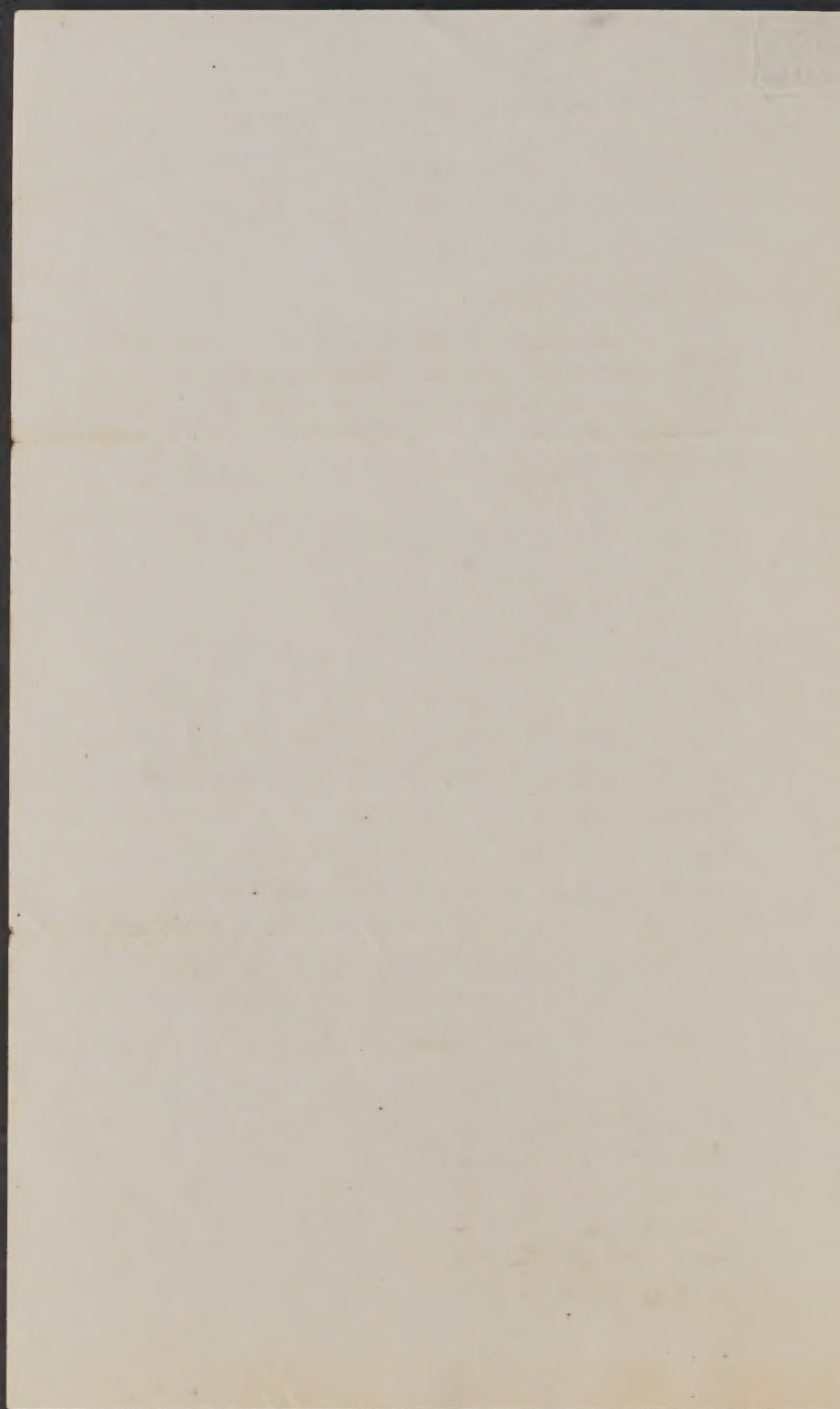
My dear Collier,

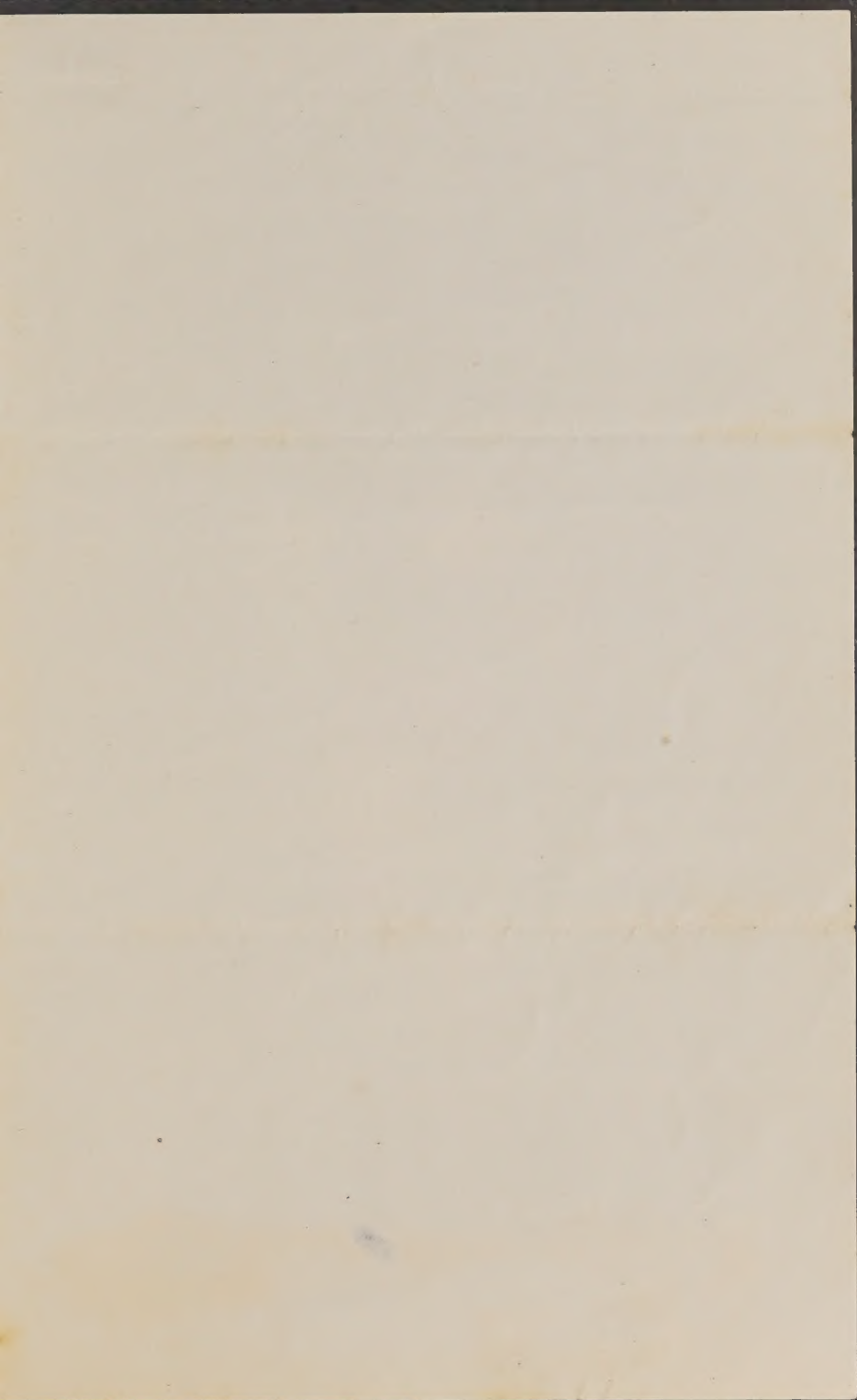
I believe tomorrow is a meeting
of the Council of the Shakespeare Society.
Will you be so good as make my excuses
for the delay in the 2^d Vol. of the
Chester Plays. My time has been so
much cut up in one way or another
that it has been impossible for me
to devote any time to it or to some
things I have in hand for the
Camden Society. I have just finished
the Anglo-Norman volume of the Bis-
tophia Literaria of the Royal Society
of Literature, which is a great weight
taken off my mind, and I shall
have a little more leisure and
will finish the Chester as soon as
I can.

Halliwell begs me to say that
he is in expectation of receiving im-
mediately the MS. play of which
he has spoken to you. His friend
who possesses it, has been so ill
that he thought it best not to
press him about it. I shall be
back in town on Thursday. I was
so jaded with one thing or another that
I was glad to get a few days' country air.

Yours ever,

Thomas Wright





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